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EPA Region III has worked aggressively to clean up the hazardous waste problems in Virginia. In cooperation with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (VDEQ), most of the 33 sites identified as having the worst contamination have final cleanup activities either completed, currently underway or under design.

More than 130 emergency response actions have been initiated throughout Virginia to remove immediate threats to public health and the environment.

76% of the Superfund sites on the National Priorities List have either undergone or are undergoing cleanup action.

10 Superfund sites (30%) have all cleanup actions completed.

14 Superfund sites (42%) have cleanup actions underway. An additional 5 sites (15%) have had an emergency cleanup action.

Final remedies have been chosen for 36% of the Superfund sites on the National Priorities List.

Responsible parties are performing 55% of the ongoing long-term cleanups and are performing 75% of the ongoing designs for future cleanup actions. Potentially Responsible Party funding has saved taxpayers almost \$384 million to date in Virginia.

EPA Region III has completed settlements with 89 small volume contributors at 3 NPL sites, removing these parties from the liability system.

EPA Region III has helped promote economic redevelopment by evaluating and removing almost 492 sites from the hazardous site inventory.



Avtex Fibers, Inc. Site, Front Royal: From left, Virginia Sens. Charles Robb and John Warner, Herb Giobbi of the U.S. Soccer Foundation; Vice Mayor Tony Carter and EPA Administrator Carol Browner celebrate the site's selection as one of the nation's first Superfund Redevelopment Initiative pilots.



Avtex Fibers, Inc. Site: Due to the magnitude and complex nature of contamination at this 440-acre site, EPA has conducted a number of emergency removal *and* remedial actions here.



Avtex Fibers, Inc. Site: Conceptual design of the site's reuse as a nature conservancy, soccer fields and business complex.

## VIRGINIA'S NPL SITES

